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TO: OFFICIAL MEMBERS

FROM: Rosalind Volpe
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SUBJECT: Agenda for the May 12, 1982 LIA Environmental
Health Committee Meeting

Enclosed is the agenda for the annual spring meeting of the LIA Environmental Health Committee at the 60 East Club in New York City on Wednesday, May 12, 1982 at 10:00 a.m. Please contact Mary Alice Danna at the above telephone number if you plan to attend the meeting. Also enclosed is a copy of a letter from Allan Booth, Chairman of LIA, concerning the Environmental Health Committee.

Sincerely,

Rosalind Volpe

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Research Associate,
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SUBJECT: Environmental Health Committee

DATE: April 16, 1981

TO: OFFICIAL MEMBERS

Attached to this memo is the agenda for the May 12 meeting of the Environmental Health Committee as prepared by the LIA Staff and the Committee Chairman. In this new program year, it appears an appropriate time to consider the responsibilities of the Environmental Health Committee and their relationship to the responsibilities of other Association bodies such as the Regulatory Activities Committee and the Board.

The EHC was organized as a group of Environmental Health professionals from the LIA Staff and the member companies. The purpose was to discuss the real health issues involved in the lead industry, and to offer technical advice to the Association's members, their customers and the public regarding the potential health problems associated with lead. Over time and with the pressures of regulatory activity, the health specialists on the Committee were joined by observers from member companies (who needed to know, but were not themselves health professionals) and by legal representatives of various companies. These non-health professionals now make up a substantial portion of the Committee membership. The new makeup tends to detract from the ability of the Committee to properly discuss and advise the members on the health issues as defined by the Environmental Health Committee, to consider the industry's ability to deal with the proposed regulatory issues and to make recommendations to and carry out the policy decisions of the Board of Directors of the LIA. All member companies are invited to participate in both of these committees. At times, in violation of that organizational structure of the Association, we have expected the Association's health professionals and the Environmental Health Committee to expand their role from advising us on the health issues to actually making determinations on methods of compliance and negotiating with regulatory agencies, often without specific direction from the Board of Directors.

We are currently preparing to respond to new proposed rule-making regarding the OSHA lead standard and a review of the EPA lead standard. Both activities will require effective technical arguments to support our position.

It, therefore, appears appropriate to reconsider the makeup of the Environmental Health Committee. I have requested the Staff and the Committee Chairman to focus their attention on the technical issues and provide the advice for which the Committee was organized. I urge each of the member companies to assign the appropriate environmental health professional as a working member of the Environmental Health Committee. Attendance at the meetings can serve as an effective education process for member company individuals who are not health professionals, but they and their companies should understand their role as observers and learners, not participants. I believe it is important to our future success in presenting our industry as truly concerned with the health issues, to allow the health professionals to advise us, our customers and our government on health issues without the appearance of having arrived at politicized judgements.

Your comments on this reassignment of priorities of the Environmental Health Committee would be welcomed and will be considered during open discussion at the May Board of Directors meeting.

ALLAN K. BOOTH
CHAIRMAN, LIA

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AGENDA

LIA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH COMMITTEE ANNUAL SPRING MEETING

The 60 East Club
Lincoln Building
60 East 42nd Street
New York, New York

Wednesday May 12, 1982
10:00 a.m.

- I. Meeting Called to Order
- II. Introduction of Attendees and Circulation of Attendance Roster
- III. Consideration of Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting
(October 14, 1981)
- IV. Discussion of the Role of LIA Environmental Health Committee
- V. Report on LIA Regulatory Activities Committee
- VI. OSHA Lead Standard - Update and Status Reconsideration
 - 1) OSHA Activities
 - 2) Industry
- VII. LIA Blood Lead Comparison Program
- VIII. Status of OSHA's New Directions' Grant Training Program
- IX. 1982 Seminar for Physicians
- X. EPA Ambient Air Quality Standard - Update and Status Reconsideration
- XI. Lead in Gasoline
- XII. Development of State Implementation Plans (SIP's for the Lead Standard)
- XIII. Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
 - 1) Changes to Definition of Solid Waste
 - 2) EP Toxicity Testing Procedures
- XIV. ILZRO Lead Environmental Health Research
- XV. Other Business
- XVI. Adjournment

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